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LETTER DATED 28 MARCH 1996 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to notify you of continued violations of the cease-fire resolution and the Tehran agreement concerning the area of separation between Iraq and Iran that were committed by the Iranian side between 18 October 1995 and 20 March 1996, as shown in the list annexed hereto.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

Iranian violations of the cease-fire and the 1991 Tehran agreement between 18 October 1995 and 20 March 1996

1. 18 October 1995

At 1930 hours an Iranian fibreglass patrol boat with three armed men on board intercepted an Iraqi fishing boat in the Riyadiyah area at coordinates 417540. They took the boat and its owner, the fisherman Yunus Abd Ja'far, to the Iranian side.

2. 2 December 1995

At 1030 hours the Iranian side, using blocks and corrugated iron roofing materials, proceeded to build two monitoring posts 2 metres high and 1.5 metres across, one over the position at coordinates 901180 and the other over that at coordinates 910180.

3. 14 December 1995

At 1200 hours the Iranian customs post opposite Ra's al Bayshah detained one of our naval vessels and a tug belonging to the Iraq Port Authority when they were leaving the Shatt al-Arab for Umm Qasr.

4. 21 December 1995

The citizen Jawwad Kazim Qasim was fired upon by an Iranian patrol while he was fishing in the Shatt al-Arab in the Shahiniyah area. He was taken to the Saddam Teaching Hospital in Basra

5. 29 December 1995

At 1130 hours the Iranian side installed a PKC machine-gun in its position at coordinates 5745 (southern Majnun).

At the same time a military Land Cruiser vehicle was seen carrying two officers and eight men armed with GC rifles and a PKC at coordinates 6232. On 4 January 1996 the Iranian side built a hut near the same location.

6. 15 March 1996

At 0800 hours two Iranian helicopters were seen flying over the Iranian units at coordinates 6727 in front of the Shayb post, about 1,000 metres from the international boundary.

7. 20 March 1996

At 0820 hours a khaki-coloured Iranian helicopter was seen landing behind the hills at coordinates 035937 in front of the Tib post, 1 kilometre from the international boundary.